## WOOTEN TELLS ON MATHEWS.

MAKES A LONG, SWORN-TO CON-FESSION TO JEROME.

Girl Stenographer Who Was a Witness for Wooten Again Sought by Mr. Jerome Convicted Lawyer Said to Have Told How the Weisell Estate Was Looted.

John W. Wooten, who was convicted of grand larceny for stealing a \$1,000 check rom David Rothschild, the wrecker of the Federal Bank, has made a statement to District Attorney Jerome of what he says is the true story of the looting of the Weisell estate under the management of Rothschild. It is understood that Wooten has implicated Armitage Mathews, secretary of the Republican county committee and Abe Gruber's lieutenant, who is indicted for conspiracy and larceny with Wooten, Rothschild and Samuel I. Ferguson for stealing about \$175,000 from the Weisell

Mathews is in Europe and it is not known when he is expected back, although his trial has been fixed for Sept. 11. Mr. Jerome would give no indication yesterday of what Wooten had told, but with Rothschild and Ferguson eliminated the general impression around the District Attorney's office was that Mr. Jerome would not be concerned in any statement from Wooten unless he produced evidence that could be used against Mathews.

The examination of Wooten has been conducted with some secrecy by Mr. Jerome in order that it might be concluded before Mathews's friends heard of what was going on. Wooten was sentenced to nine years and ten months in Sing Sing and he made fight for a new trial, Gen. Tracy arguing

When Justice Fitzgerald denied his motion there was no alternative for Wooten but to go to Sing Sing pending an appeal. He was taken to the Tombs a couple of weeks ago, and then it was that he made overtures to Mr. Jerome.

On Monday Wooten was taken from the Tombs to the library on the top floor of the Criminal Courts Building. For two and a alf hours he was examined by Assistant District Attorney Kresel, Mr. Jerome being present most of the time. Wooten was questioned for a few minutes on Tuesday and yesterday he made another long statement to Mr. Kresel. It was taken by a stenographer and sworn to by Wooten.

It is not known that Mr. Jerome has made any promise to Wooten except perhaps that the District Attorney would subscribe to an application to the Governor for commutation of his sentence if Wooten should tell about looting the Meisell estate. It is evident, however, that Mr. Jerome intends to look carefully into Wooten's

For two days detectives from the District Attorney's office have been hunting for May F. Trimble, a stenographer who was employed in the Federal Bank and who took dictation from Wooten. She was a witness for Wooten at his trial. There was introduced at the trial an agreement which stated in effect that for \$750 Mathews, as secretary of the Bankers' Surety Company of Cleveland, which gave a \$400,000 bond for Rothschild, would see that Rothschild should continue to have sole control of the Weisell estate, a point to which the surety

company was then objecting. It was contended by the prosecution that Wooten had dictated the statement to Miss Trimble and before the trial she was supposed to have made an affidavit to Mr. Kresel that she had typewritten the agreement. At the trial, however, she declared that she had been intimidated by Mr. Kresel and made to sign a false affidavit. She had admitted to Mr. Kresel that she usually spelled "appellate" with one "1" and that is

how the word was written on the agreement. For a time Mr. Jerome thought of arresting Miss Trimble for perjury and for two nights she was guarded by detectives. Mr. Jerome thought she had been ill advised and told her to go home and consult her relatives and then come back and tell the truth. She stuck to her story and was

would be at the District Attorney's office. As Mr. Jerome wants to question her, it is presumed that Wooten has told something about the \$750 agreement which Mr. Jerome wants her to verify.

In charging the Wooten jury Justice Davy said that if Wooten was guilty Mathews was equally guilty in the \$1,000 check transaction. Wooten admitted that he got certain moneys from the Weisell estate. Wooten was counsel for Rothschild as administrator and Ferguson was counsel for heirs who were contesting the Weisell will. It is charged that Wooten and Ferguson were to share the fees for the administrator and his attorney and that Mathews was to get 3 per cent. of all the money borrowed by Rothschild on the securities of the Weisell estate. Rothschild had sole control of the estate, but he hypothecated the securities.

Rothschild is still in the Tombs and h will probably be a witness against Mathews. When he was brought from Sing Sing Mr. Jerome made a stir about the way certain statements made by Rothschild in Sing Sing got to the office of Black Olcott, Gruber & Bonynge, counsel for Mathews. It is understood that ex-Gov. Black will defend Mathews.

Mr. Jerome is said to have some im portant evidence against Mathews, consisting of letters and papers in Mathews's handwriting. These documents were found, it is said, in Rothschild's house after his arrest.

BAR ASSOCIATION IN SESSION Reports Adopted and General Council Elected.

NARRAGANSETT PIER, Aug. 28 .- Nearly 600 lawyers from all parts of the country are here to attend the twenty-eighth annual meeting of the American Bar Association, which opened to-day, President Henry St. George Tucker of Lexington, Va., pre

President Tucker's address dealt with the most noteworthy changes in statute law on points of general interest made in the several States and by Congress during the last year.

The reports of Secretary John Hinkley, Treasurer Frederick E. Wadhams and of the executive committee were read and

Among members of the general council elected are: Connecticut, Lewis E. Stanton,

New Haven; Massachusetts, James Barr Ames, Cambridge; New Jersey, James J. Bergen, Somerville; New York, E. P. Wheller, New York city; Pennsylvania, Walter George Smith, Lancaster; Rhode

Walter George Smith, Lancaster; Rhode Island, Amasa M. Eaton, Providence.

A symposium on "What can be done on the jury system?" was held to-night. It was led by Harvey L. Shepherd of Boston.

Among prominent lawyers here are Nathan Abbott of Palo Alto, Cal., dean of the Leland Stanford, Jr., University law school; ex-Judge Martin W. Follett of Marietta, Ohio; Justice Brown of Washington and Prof. James Barr Ames, dean of Harvard University law school.

Judge Alton B. Parker of New York is expected to-morrow.

ROSEY HAS THE RING NOW. But the Essex Market Lawyer Is Holding

It as Security Bonjarin Cohen of 244 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn, lived happi'y for twenty years with his wife, Sarah, but a year ago they separated. His wife supposed he was very poor, and she did not ask him to support her. He occasionally called to see his children, who lived with the mother at

44 Essex street. About a week ago, on one of his visits. he pulled a diamond ring from his pocket. He thought his wife wasn't looking, but she spied the ring. She said nothing, but the next day she got a warrant for his arrest for non-support.

Cohen was arraigned yesterday in the Essex Market police court.

"He's a rich man, Chudge," said Mrs. Cohen. "He has got diamondts. I saw dem. I thought he vas a poor man." "Chudge, I vas very poor," said Cohen.
"Ach, such a pizness to say dot I got dia-

"Take the prisoner out in the yard and earch him," said Magistrate Pool. "Strip

search him," said Magistrate Pool. "Strip him if necessary."

The Magistrate's order was obeyed literally. A policeman took Cohen to the prison yard, and after taking most of his clothing off found a diamond ring hidden in one of his stockings. The ring was handed to the Magistrate, who asked Rosey the Lawyer, who appeared for Cohen, what it was worth.

"It is worth \$200," said Rosey, "and I will take it as my fee. I have got no retainer as yet."

"I guess not." said the Magistrate.

The lawyer for the woman wanted the Magistrate to give the ring to her. The dispute was finally settled by the Magistrate giving the ring to Rosey, with Cohen's consent, to hold it as security for the fee. Cohen was then committed to the workshouse for six months in default of bonds to pay his wife \$6 a week. pay his wife \$6 a week.

Rosey put the ring on his finger and proudly displayed it in Essex street.

BIGGER SHARE FOR GOLDIE MOHR Executors' Counsel Says They Are Negotiating for a Settlement.

Mrs. Goldie Lillian Mohr Wood, widow of Alan W. Wood, who died ten days ago, is negotiating with the executors of the estate, looking toward a settlement or

Under the will she gets only one-ninth of the estate, sharing equally with the eight children. Her share under this arrangement will probably amount to about \$400,000. but it is said that she does not consider this enough. Were the will to be set aside,

however, she would come into one-third of the estate, or about a million dollars.

It was learned yesterday that Mrs. Wood's negotations for a settlement have resulted in an apparent willingness on the part of the executors to allow her rather more than she is entitled to by the will. It was said that a compromise has been almost agreed.

she is entitled to by the will. It was said that a compromise has been almost agreed upon by which Mrs. Wood will get one-fourth of the estate, the remaining three-fourths going to the children.

Morgan & Seabury, counsel for the executors, declined yesterday to confirm or deny this reported settlement, but it was admitted that negotiations had been proceeding, the result of which would be announced within a few days.

GOT R. E. JARRIGE'S AUTO. Driver Accused of Stealing \$8,500 Machine and Abandoning It.

William Luiggof 272 West Thirty-eighth street was arraigned in the West Side police court yesterday, charged with attempting to steal an automobile worth \$8,500. The machine belonged to R. E. Jarrige of 324 West Fifty-first street and was kept in the Ancher garage at 231 West Fortieth street. Ancher was the complainant. According to Policeman Cahill, Luig got

the machine on Saturday night by impersonating the owner. He was joined by other men, the police say, and the party started for Albany, with Saratoga as their

started for Albany, with Saratoga as their ultimate destination.

At Yonkers they were forced to stop for gasoline and at Millwood, just above Sing Sing, two of the men became frightened and deserted. Luig, with the others, then started back to New York. The gasoline again gave out and they left the machine in the woods at 224th street and Jerome avenue.

Luig was picked up yesterday. The police asked for more time to find his accomplices and he was held in \$1,000 for examination to-day.

IGNATZ BEIHILF A SUICIDE. Leaves Letters to His Son, Assemblyman

Beihilf, and Daughter.

Ignatz Beihilf, the father of Assembly man Joseph Beihilf of the Thirty-first district, committed suicide by inhaling gas in his room at 246 West 132d street early yesterday morning. He was 61 years old

been an insurance agent.

He left two letters, one to his son and the other to his daughter, Mrs. M. Stern of 133 West 140th street. The letter to Mrs. Stern said, in part:

"I have just written a ten page letter to
you which I destroyed. I do not care to be a burden any longer on you or any one else. I request you to pay out of my insurance the following debts: \$4.50 for meals, \$3.50

room rent and \$40.60 for that downtown debt you know of."

Mrs. Stern had the body of her father removed to her home. She said she could give no explanation for his suicide.

ANOTHER CAPTAIN ARRESTED. Accused of Not Providing Accommodation for Steerage Passengers.

Capt. Silvio Cosalich of the Phelps Line steamship Erny, in Saturday from Trieste, was arraigned by United States Marshal Henkel before Commissioner Ridgeway yesterday, charged with failure to pro-vide tables and chairs for his 200 steerage vide tables and chairs for his 200 steerage passengers at regular meals. Cosalich is one of several captains of transatiantic steamships streated at the instance of the immigration authorities lately in their efforts to enforce the act providing for the adequate accommodation of steerage

passengers.

Most of the big lines are violating the statutes, according to the customs inspectors, and arrests will be made and fines imposed until the practise of shipping immigrants in the steerage without providing for their comforts is broken up.

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The high pressure areas from the South and West united over the lower Lake regions yester day, causing lower temperatures in that section and in central New York, but exerted small influence in other sections east of the Mississippi, where the temperature changes were local. In the Middle West the pressure was low, with

its center over Nebraska, drawing southerly winds and warmer weather into the lower Missouri valley. The temperature southed 100 degrees in Kansas; Arizona and Texas. Thunderstorms occurred in the South Atlantic States, Tennessee, the upper Lake regions and at scattered points in the West At other points east of the Mississippi the weather.

was generally fair.

In this city the day was fair and warmer; wind fresh northwesterly; average humidity, 47 per cent. neter, corrected to read to sea level, at 8 A M., 30.02; 3 P. M., 30.02.

The temperature yesterday, as recorded by the Motal thermometer, is snown in the annexed

WASHINGTON PORECAST FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORRO For eastern New York, New Jersey and eastern Pennsyleania, fair to-day; to-morrow, showers and cooler; light to fresh south winds, becoming carioble. For New England, fair to-day; to-morrow, partly cloudy, showers and cooler in afternoon or night; light to fresh shifting winds.

ARREST IN COTTON SCANDAL.

FRED A. PECKHAM CAUGHT AT A SARATOGA HOTEL.

Bench Warrant Issued in Washington After His Indictment on a Charge of Conspiracy to Defraud the Government-Another Arrest Expected

Frederick A. Peckham of this city, whose name has been prominent in the investigations of the cotton report scandal, was arrested yesterday in Saratoga, where he was a guest at the Grand Union Hotel.

The arrest was made on a bench warrant issued by Chief Judge H. M. Clabaugh of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia as a result of an indictment found against him by the United States Grand Jury summoned specially to investigate the leakages. The indictment charges conspiracy to defraud the Government. Peckham couldn't furnish \$12,000 bail and was looked up.

Prior to Peckham's arrest United States District Attorney Beach came here from Washington and consulted for several hours with Assistant United States District Attorney Wise, who has charge of the District Attorney's office for the Southern District of New York in the absence of Gen. Burnett. Neither Mr. Beach nor Mr. Wise would tell what they had discussed. It was taken for granted, however, that the topic was the cotton scandal, and Mr. Wise

"If I said just what brought Mr. Beach here I might defeat the ends of justice," Mr. Wise said. "We don't want any persons to light out before we can get them. will say, though, that something may

happen before the day is over."

It is understood that at least one more arrest will be made and that it will be made in this district. This belief is strengthened by the knowledge that Peckham has been onnected with the leakages more as a go-between and agent than as a principal. When L. C. Van Riper, a cotton broker

of this city, put in the hands of Richard Cheatham, secretary of the Southern Cotton Growers' Association, information which Mr. Cheatham forced upon the consideration of Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture it was stated that the New York cotton brokers who were alleged to have profited from advance information and manipulation of the cotton reports gained their information through an intermediary closely associated with Associate Statistician Edwin S. Holmes, Jr. Through this intermediary, it was alleged correspondence passed, and it was intimated that the indiscretion of this person in taking brokers into the secret and broadening the range of his operations led to the fraud

This intermediary, it was also stated, became so convinced of the good faith of the persons who were accumulating evidence of the condition of affairs that he turned over to them, as an evidence of his good faith, letters written by Holmes in which the latter, it was alleged, agreed to make the estimates of the June report much more bearish than the true crop conditions warranted.

The same agent, it was said, arranged an interview which took place in this city between Holmes and cotton brokers of this city. At this interview, it was said, Holmes and the intermediary discoursed freely of their operations with a certain broker in this city.

The United States Grand Jury took up the investigation of the scandal in the latter part of July. After examining J. C. Van Riper and William J. Judd, cotton brokers of this city, subposnas were issued for Peckham and Moses Haas. They were accompanied to Washington by Mark Alter, a lawyer of this city, and also retained counsel in Washington . On the advice of counsel both refused to answer more than the preliminary questions. They were held for centempt of court, but their position was upheld by Judge Wright.

Hass said that he lived in New York and and horse racing. Once, he continued, he had lived in Washington and been employed by the Department of Agriculture. Questions concerning his relations with Peckham and Holmes he refused to answer. Peckham likewise refused to speak

of his association with Holmes and Haas. WASHINGTON, Aug. 23 .- The statement was made here to-night that Peckham was arrested first because of information received here that there was a possibility that le might soon go to Canada. On receipt of this information, it is said. District Attorney Beach conferred with the Department of Justice officials as to what course he should pursue, and he was told to use his own judgment.

Accordingly, Peckham was taken into custody on a warrant issued by Judge Clabaugh. Peckham was one of five men mentioned in the cotton leakage report at the time E. S. Holmes, former associate statistician, was dismissed in disgrace. The men were: L. C. Van Riper, Moses Haas, F. A. Peckham, E. S. Holmes and Theodore Price.

Van Riper is credited with causing the cotton investigation by giving to the Southern Cotton Association information relative Holmes's operations. Other arrests will be made, but who the persons against whom warrants have been issued, it is impossible to learn.

The authorities here are said to be fully advised as to the whereabouts of Holmes and know that Haas is within reach of the authorities if he is needed.

HAFFEN'S MEN ON A PICNIC. Began the Day With a Parade—Tamman;

Big Guns Out. The Jefferson Club of the Thirty-fifth Assembly Edistrict, of which Borough President Louis F. Haffen is president, held its fourth annual outing yesterday. Provided with Japanese parasols and outing caps the club marched from its headquarters at 158th street and Melrose avenue, The Bronx 12,000 strong. At the foot of

to Witzel's Point View Grove at College Leader Murphy was represented by his secretary, Tom Smith. Others there were Deputy Police Commissioner Thomas P. McA voy. Acting Mayor Fornes. Fire Com missioner Hayes and William H. Ten Eyck.

East 138th street four barges took them

HE'LL FORCE THEM OUT.

Attitude of Mayor of Hobeken Toward Library Trustees Who Won't Resign. Mayor Adolph Lankering of Hoboken scently called upon Trustees O'Toole, Reynolds and Buckley of the Board of Free Public Library Trustees to send in their resignations, but they have failed to obey him. The demand followed a public statement by the Mayor that the moneys of the board had been handled in a careloss

fashion. Mr. Lankering said yesterday that the ibrary Board had to be reorganized and if the three trustees didn't resign he would take steps to force them out. He said they were of course entitled to an investigation, but if there was to be an investigation he would consult Justice Dixon as to the proper method of conducting is.

TO FIX CONVENTION DATES: Republicans to Meet To-day -- Evasive Reply

to the Citizens' Union. The executive committee of the Republican county committee will meet this ofter noon at the Fifth Avenue Hotel for the purpose of issuing the call for the September primaries and to fix dates and places for the county, Assembly and Aldermanic conventions. Afterward a meeting will be held in the hotel of the executive committee of the city committee to decide upon the time and place of the city convention and to fix the basis of representation.

As most of the district leaders will be present at the last named meeting, it is expected that there will be some discussion as to the reply which the Republican organization should send to the invitation of the Citizens' Union to cooperate in the nomination of a non-partiz in ticket. While the district leaders may be allowed to discuse, whatever they may say will have no

cuss, whatever they may say will have no effect in altering the response which State Chairman Odell has framed.

Mr. Odell will not be at either of the two meetings to-day. He went back to Newburgh last evening, apparently to prove his repeated ascertion that he intends to take no active part in the coming campaign.

He has, however, left his instructions with William Halpin, his chairman of the county committee. Mr. Halpin will preside at both of to-day's meetings and he will see to it that the program of the State chairman is carried out at both gatherings. It is understood that the reply which will be sent to the Citizens' Union will be non-committal. According to reports last night, the committee will inform the Cits that the Republican organization is prepared to follow any course which may lead to the defeat of Tammany and will then intimate that it is up to the Cits to make a definite proposition.

MR. MURPHY'S ADVICE.

Tammany Leader Said to Have Been Consulted by Anti-McCarrenites.

It was reported yesterday that Otto Wicke, who is one of the most prominent members of the Brooklyn League of Demcratic Clubs, which was organized several months ago for the avowed purpose of overthrowing the leadership of Senator McCarren, had a conference recently with Charles F. Murphy of Tammany. Mr. Wicke, according to the report, informed the Tammany leader that the harmony propositions offered by McCarren to the league had been rejected and that the only practicable course was to settle the con-

practicable course was to settle the controversy at the primaries.

Mr. Murphy, so it is reported, advised Mr. Wicke and his associates to go in and win out at the primaries if they could.

The Monticello and Young Men's Democratic clubs of the Tenth Assembly district have indorsed John H. Delaney, who is fighting to oust former Deputy Police Commissioner Henry F. Haggerty, Senator McCarren's law partner, from the leadership of the district. At the same time both clubs have pledged themselves to loyally support all the party candidates on the city and local tickets.

LITTLETON DEFENDED.

His Administration Upheld Against Mr. Moynahan's Criticism

Public Works Commissioner Brackenridge of the Borough of Brooklyn, who is acting Borough President in the absence of President Martin W. Littleton, yesterday pronounced the statement of President Daniel Moynahan of the Brooklyn Democratic Club that President Littleton had given Brooklyn the worst administration

regiven Brooklyn the worst administration it ever had as "absolutely irresponsible and unworthy of notice."

Mr. Brackenridge declared that the record of Mr. Littleton's administration for 1904 shows that the public improvements are unequaled in magnitude by those of any previous year in the history of the becomes.

COURT'S DIGNITY RUFFLED. But Magistrate Baker Takes Back Three

Months Sentence on Woman Who Laughed. Mrs. Mamie Beller of 2201 Eighth avenue was sentenced to the Island in the Harlem court yesterday by Magistrate Baker for laughing as she left the court room. The woman had been summoned to court on the complaint of Mrs. Rose Pike, who

Mrs. Beller had gossiped about her. Mrs. Beller was reprimanded by the Magistrate. She took his remarks without comment, and started to leave the court room. As she was walking out the door she turned back and laughed. Magistrate Baker noticed the incident and sent a court policeman after her.

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"Did you laugh?" asked Magistrate Baker.

"Yes, I did," replied Mrs. Beller.

The Magistrate ordered that a complaint of disorderly conduct be made out against her, and then announced that she must either furnish \$300 bail or go to the Island for three months. Mrs. McAuley, the probation officer of the court, led the woman to the antercom, where she learned Mrs. probation of moer of the court, led the woman to the antercom, where she learned Mrs. Beller was a sick woman and that the sentence might seriously affect her health.

The Magistrate on hearing this parceled her in custody of Mrs. McAuley, but enjoined her, when she came to court again, not to forget the dignity of the place.

ALBANY'S POPULATION 98,362 By State Census-Figures for This City to Be Given Out Next Month.

ALBANY, Aug. 23.—The first official figures of the enumeration of the inhabitants of the State taken under the direction of Secretary of State John F. O'Brien during the months of May and June last were made public to-day. They show the population of the city of Albany to be 98,362, compared with 94,151, as shown by the Federal census of 1900, an increase of 4.211. The State enumeration of 1892 showed The State enumeration of 1892 showed a population of 97,120, and the Federal enumeration of 1890 a population of 94,923.

Business men in Albany had insisted that the census of 1900 did not do Albany justice. The enumeration of figures by cities and counties are to be announced by the Secretary of State each day as verified. It is not expected the population of New York city will be computed finally before the latter part of September.

Young Mon's Catholic Union Elects Officers. ALBANY, Aug. 23.-The convention of the National Young Men's Catholic Union ended to-day. These officers were re-elected: President, the Rev. Walter L. Shanley of Hartford, Conn.; vice-president, the Rev. Thomas J. Leonard of Brooklyn; second vice-president, Judge John J. Brady of Albany; socretary-treasurer, James H. Fitzgerald of Mochanics Valley, Par

ues to Test Validity of State Settlement. ALBANY, Aug. 23 .- Attorney-General Mayer has begun suit against the J. & J. Rogers Company of Au Sable Forks, Clinton county, and Patrick Mynahan of Glens Falls to recover \$20,000 damages for trespasses alleged to have been committed in the cutting and removal of timber from State lands. These suits are brought to test the validity of confessions of judgment whereby sums regarded as inadequate were paid to the State.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Harwood Huntington, Assistant Appraiser of Merchandise at the Port of New York, has religned, to take effect Aug. 31. Mr. Huntington was appointed Assistant Appraiser in May, 1806, since which date he has been in charge of the woolen roods division of the Appraisers Stores. He religns for the purpose of engaging in another line of work.

of work.

The board of managers of the Produce Exchange at a recent appeal meeting approved the centennial celebration to be held in 1807 in honor of the voyage of Futton's steamboat, and commended the project to the liberal support of the national, State and city Governmence.

DEATH A DOUBLE BLOW TO HER

MARRIAGE PACT OF MRS. CLARKE, OR CURTIS, QUESTIONED.

Man Once Presperous to San Francisco Two Names - Woman He Lived With Has Contract Without a Notary's Scal.

CURTIS .- On Tuesday, Aug. 22, 1905, Jonathan Curtis, aged 44 years. Puneral private. San Franciso papers please

This death notice appeared in one yesterday morning's newspapers in this city. Mr. Curtis died in the Cameron apartment house, 126th street and St. Nicholas avenue, where he was known to the attendants and the other tenants as Jonathan Clarke. His death was due to

convulsions or epilepsy.

In the neighborhood of the apartment house Mr. Curtis was also known as Mr. Clarke. The apartment was rented, as far as the management knew, by Mr. and Mrs. Clarke. The woman known as Mrs. Clarke says she was the wife of the deceased She wasn't known under the name of Mrs. Curtis about the spartment house, but was called Mrs. Clarke. Her maiden name was Caroline Clarke. She is a very pretty woman, who doesn't appear to be over 30 years of age.

Mr. Curtis, or Clarke, was connected with the establishment of Eberhard Faber, the manufacturer of lead pencils on Pearl street. At the offices of the concern he was known as Curtis.

Dr. John P. Hensing, of 314 West 126th street, who attended the man during his last and other illnesses, knew him as Clarke, when he came to make out the death certicate, he asked the usual perfunctory questions of Mrs. Clarke to fill the Board of Health blank. He was about to put in "married" without a question, when a business asso-ciate of the dead man stopped him, remark-

ing that he wasn't sure about that. Mrs. Clarke was consulted, and she declared that she and Curtis were married. She produced proof of her assertion, a written agreement between Curtie and herself to the effect that they were man and wife. It was signed by both, but there was no seal of a notary public on it. The doctor shook his head, and the business associate communicated by phone with a lawyer who, he says, after hearing the facts, re-

"That's not a legal marriage. The lady has been fooled." When the death certificate was filled out the "married or single" blank con-

tained the word "divorced." This was put in after the business associate had told the doctor something of Mr. Curtis's past, the doctor something of Mr. Curtis's past, Curtis being the dead man's real name. Jonathan Curtis was born in Philadelphia. As a very young man he went to San Francisco and in time became the vice-president of the largest pencil manufacturing and stationery concern on the Pacific Slope. He married and became the father of several children. Several years ago there was trouble in the Curtis household, and Curtis and his wife were divorced. divorced.
Curtis lost heart and grip on his business

Things went from bad to worse, and the children were placed in the care of relatives near San Francisco. Curtis finally let his business go and came to this city and joined Eberhard Faber, whom he had known many years. As one of the firm put it yesterday, "Father made a place for his old friend."

for his old friend."

It was about a year and a half ago that Curtis came East. In addition to his association with Faber in business, the two lived together. A year ago Faber was married, and Curtis, at the suggestion of two men in the Faber firm, then went to live in a boarding house on Manhattan avenue. The two men in the firm also lived there. It was kept by a Mrs.Clarke, and with her lived her daughter, Caroline, who was employed as a designer for the Delineator.

Delineator.

Some months after Curtis went to live at the house Mrs. Clarke, the landlady, died. It was after her death that Curtis and the daughter took the apartment in which he died and in which they were known as Mr. and Mrs. Clarke.

Mrs. Clarke, or Curtis, when seen last evening at the handsome apartment which she still occupies on the seventh floor of

she still occupies on the seventh floor of the Cameron, said that she did not wish to discuss either her affairs or those of Mr. Curtis. Her aunt was with her, having come over from Brooklyn, and she cautioned Mrs. Clarke against making any statement. She took occasion, however, to show letters addressed to Mr. Curtis that had been delivered at the Cameron.
Funeral services for Mr. Curtis will take place to-day and the interment will be in a

place to-day and the investment cemetery near this city, SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—Jonathan Cur-tis was a well known stationer here ten Was married a daughter of years ago. He married a daughter of Henry Payot of the big stationery firm of Payot, Upham & Co. He got a divorce from his wife and then went to New York. Curtis was an able business man.

MRS. EDDY'S PRECEPTOR DIES. Was First to Tell the Christian Set

Leader New to Heal. BOSTON, Mass.; Aug. 23.-Miss Sarah Osgood Bagley, a mental healer, who is said to have given Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy her first instruction in mental healing died at her home in Amesbury last night

aged 81. Miss Bagley had been blind for three years. Although it has been denied it is generally known in Amesbury that Mrs Eddy resided there about thirty years ago. before she became interested in Christia Science and before she was married to Mr. Eddy. During her residence of a year and

Eddy. During her residence of a year and a half in Amesbury she was a lodger in the home of Mies Bagley, who was an active healer at the time.

Mrs. Eddy became interested and received, it is said, her first lessons in the healing art from Mies Bagley, Mrs. Eddy afterward elaborating her system, now known as Christian Science.

Mies Bagley never adopted the principles promulgated by her former pupil.

TAKES AUTO RIDE AT 103.

Connecticut's Oldest Woman Goes for Outing in Fast Smoke Wagon. BRIDGEFORT, Conn., Aug. 23.—Mrs. De-borsh Silliman of Easton, the oldest woman in Connecticut, was 1051/2 years old to-day, and she had her first automobile ride. Marshall S. Driggs, a Brooklyn business man, who is summering at New Canaan, Conn., took her for a ride. He drove up to the Silliman homesterd with three of hi

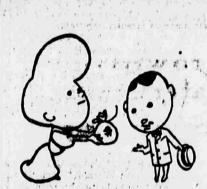
New York friends and the old lady quickly

accepted his invitation. accepted his invitation.

She was driven about Easton and the surrounding country at a speed approximating thirty miles an hour and enjoyed the ride very much. Mrs. Silliman has never ridden on a trolley car or railroad. She is in good health, is able to read and gets about without assistance.

ROSES FOR HIS LOCOMOTIVE. Friends of Fireman Just Married Pur

Michael Curry, an Erie Railroad fireman running on the day express to Buffalo. nown as train I, was married last week at All Saints' Catholic Church in Jersey City to Miss Sadie Anderson of \$11 Van Horr street, that city. His secret leaked out and some of his friends gave him a surprise on Tuesday morning by decorating the cab of his locomotive with bridal roses before he went aboard. Engineer Cuttler thought that the flowers were intended for him until his fremen blushed and oun-sessed that he had been married.



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MADDEN GUILTY OF CONTEMPT. Justice Burr Will Soften Sentence if Turf man Testifies Before Beferee.

John E. Madden, the Kentucky turfman, was yesterday declared guilty of contempt by Justice Burr in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn. Justice Burr will not announce the penalty for a day or two. Madden was reported to be in Saratoga.

Mrs. Annie L. Madden, his wife, who is suing him for separation in the Court of Common Pleas, Cincinnati, recently secured an order from Justice Sewell of this State commanding him to appear before a referee in Saratoga and submit to an examination with respect to his financial standing in this State. The order was stayed by an up-State justice, but the stay was vacated, it being contended that Madden was fencing for time to allow him to get out of New York.

York.

Two dates for the examination were fixed, but Madden by advice of counsel declined to be aworn or to testify. His counsel claimed that the order was not warranted

to be sworn or to testify. His counsel claimed that the order was not warranted by law.

On Tuesday Justice Kruse in Brooklyn issued a writ requiring Madden to show cause why he should not be punished for contempt of court. The hearing yesterday was on the writ.

After Mrs. Madden's side had been presented Madden's lawyer said the woman had left her husband nearly two years ago, locating in Cincinnati so that she migh secure a legal domicile and annoy him by a suit in Ohio. If she had a case at all, the lawyer said, she should have brought it in Kentucky. Madden allowed her princely alimony pending his divorce suit against her in Kentucky.

The lawyer declared also that by enjoining a sale of thoroughbreds at Sheepshead Bay some time ago Mrs. Madden had caused her husb and to lose \$21,000.

Justice Burr then said: "Two subposnas have issued commanding Madden to testify. It is clear that they have been disobeyed. My impression is that the Court is not without jurisdiction to issue the subposnas." The Justice also said that he would not mete out punishment until the lawyers acreed upon an order, but if Madden

would not mete out punishment until the would not mete out punishment until the lawyers agreed upon an order, but if Madden would testify as commanded it would serve to soften the punishment.

HIS BRIDE PLEADED IN VAIN. John Merangel, Charged With Sec Miss Kern, Goes to Jall.

John Merangel, a mechanic, 24 years old, of 694 Flushing avenue, Brooklyn, was held yesterday in the Lee avenue police court in \$1,000 bail to await the action of the Grand Jury on the complaint of Miss Mary Kern, a young and pretty brunette. of 26 Thornton street, who accused Merangel of seduction. Merangel was to have married Miss Kern a month ago. On the night Miss Kern was to have become his bride she was waiting for him with many guests.

she was waiting for him with many guests. In the evening Miss Kern learned that Merangel was being married to another woman and she went to her rival's house and tried to tear off her bridal dress.

Mrs. Merangel had Miss Kern arrested on a charge of assault, but Magistrate Furlong dismissed the case and entertained a charge of seduction against the man. Merangel's wife pleaded in vain yesterday with Miss Kern to relent. When Merangel was committed in default of \$1,000 hail his bride became hysterical and was led from the court room.

from the court room. NOT LEE, THE LETTER WRITER.

Man of the Same Name Says He Escaped From an Asylum at Westport, Conn. A man who said he was F. P. Lee walked into the House of Relief early yesterday morning and asked Night Clerk Egan to protect him from a number of Chinese and Italians who, he said, were following him. Egan saw that the man was insane and

called a dector.

Thinking that the man might be William Thinking that the man might be William J. Lee of Trenton, who escaped from the Manhattan State Hospital, on Ward's Island, last Thursday, Egan notified Police Headquarters. After an investigation it was found that he was not the missing Lee. The man said he escaped from Dr. Durland's sanatorium in Westport, Conn., several days ago. He exchanged a good suit of clothes for an old suit and enough money to get to this city. He was sent to the psychopathic ward at Bellevue, where he asked that his brother, J. S. Lee. of St. Louis, he sent for.

MAN HELD, WIFE DISCHARGED

Not Enough Evidence to Hold Mrs. Hoffman on Cheek Forgery Charge. Carl H. Hoffman of the Hotel Minot. who was arrested with his young wife, Elizabeth, on Tuesday night on the charge edizabeth, on luceousy night on the charge of having given to Isaac Friedman a forged otherk for \$2,000, was held for examination by Magistrate Bu'er in the Harlem police court restorday. His wife was discharged. The Magistrate said that there was not enough evidence to hold here.



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PRATT SUED FOR DIVORCE AGAIN. Second Wife Asks Freedom and \$25,000

Allmony. CLINTON, Conn., Aug. 23.-Thomas H. Pratt, one of the wealthiest young men of this town, was to-day made defendant in a divorce suit. His wife also claims \$25,000 alimony. They were married on January 17, 1897. Mrs. Pratt alleges habitual intemperance. The Pratts reside in a very fine country place in this town. Tom Pratt and his brother Charley cut quite a figure in New Haven a few years

ago and mingled a good deal with the Yale boys. They attended the Hopkins Grammar School and entered Yale, but never graduated. The brothers then went into theatrical ventures in New York, dropping a large sum before they retired to the handsome country residence their mother bought here. The defendant in the present suit married a New Havan girl, Miss Gartie Hall. When young Pratt's mother heard of the marriage.

he brought suit aganst her daughter-in-law

for alienating her son's affections and

wanted damages. This first Mrs. Pratt was a schoolteacher in New Haven, and very attractive. Mrs. Pratt senior urged her son to have the marriage annulled. Then young Mrs. Pratt sued Tom for divorce and a compromise was reached, Mrs. Pratt getting her divorce and Tom's mother withdrawing her alienation suit.

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Not long after this contest in the courts of New Haven Tom Pratt met the plaintiff in the present case in St. Louis. The Pratts formerly resided in that city. She is the daughter of a wealthy brewer.

After their marriage they came to Clinton to live. Tom Pratt was recently a defendant in a \$10,000 damage suit brought by George T. Audley, a liveryman of New Haven, who charged that Pratt owed him that amount for services as valet, for his share in the sale of a preventive for seasickness, known as the Ludy Audley Pills, and for his interest in a fancy chicken farm. Audley lost.

It was while this suit was in progress that the deputy sheriff who kept order in the court room, George A. Stevens, became interested in Tom Pratt's mether, who was a daily attendant in court. They were married soon after the case was ended

HIS FIRST ACCIDENT.

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Autoist McConnell Will Help Family of the Man His Machine Ran Down. Samuel McConnell, a linen importer, of 351 West 114th street, whose automobile, late on Tuesday night, ran down and killed Frederick Kilpatrick, a musician, of 87 South Sixth street, Brooklyn, near the south roadway entrance of the Williamsburg, Bridge, was held yesterday in the Lee avenue police court for a hearing. McConnell told Magistrate Furlong that Kilpatrick's death was purely accidental, and he was corroborated by Policeman Lyons. McConnell said he had operated an automobile six years and had operated an automobile six years and had never met with an accident. He said that at the time Kilpatrick was hit by the car the auto was going slowly.

After McConnell had furnished bail he learned that Kilpatrick's family was in straitened circumstances and declared that he would assist them in every possible way.

BURGLARS LIKED CANDY.

At Least They Took a Lot From Store Burglars entered Henry Meyers's ice cream and candy store at 136 Newark avenue. Jersey City, before daylight yesterday morning and stole \$110 in currency and a \$170 gold watch and chain from the safe. The police said they were sure the thieves found the safe unlocked as it bore no marks of having been forcibly opened. The proprietor's daughter said the cops weren't good guessers, as she remembered locking the safe when the store was closed late on Tuesday night. The burglars evidently had a fondness for sweets, as they carried away a quantity of candy.

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